

## CITY NEWS.

(N. B. If you have relatives or friends visiting in the city or going to make a visit, please inform us; we solicit all your local news.—Ed.)

Mr. Geo. H. Woodson of Buxton was an over Christmas visitor in our city.

Mrs. Smith is quite ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Chas. J. Roy on Crocker street.

LOST—Silver gray squirrel scarf, between Ninth and Twelfth on Center. Monday Dec. 27. \$2 reward. Phone Mutual 1429.

Mr. Archie Alexander of Highland Park, who is a student at Iowa City, returned home to spend the holidays with his parents.

Mr. J. L. Lucas and company were royally entertained at dinner Christmas day by Mrs. Cheatham of 814 Park st.

Mr. J. Lucas spent Sunday in Marshalltown. He will leave Saturday for Chicago on a business trip of several days.

Boyd Nancy, the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Yancy, has been quite ill the past two weeks, but is better at this writing.

The Callanan Industrial club met at the home of Mrs. Rev. Daniels. The meeting was very interesting. After the regular line of business a dainty lunch was served. They adjourned to meet at the home of Mrs. Adam Dixon on Day street Jan. 5.

Mrs. E. B. Elliott, 519 13th st makes a specialty of human hair Goods, also Shampooing and straightening. Mail orders promptly filled.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Cottoms have returned home from a holiday visit to Keokuk, Ia., and LeGrand, Mo.—At LeGrand they attended the leather wedding of Mrs. Cottoms' sister and brother-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. Chas. H. Hardy, on Xmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Blagburn entertained a large number of friends at a Christmas dinner. A heavy laden table with all the tempting viands was spread before an appreciative crowd. Mr. and Mrs. Blagburn are good entertainers.

Mr. Chas. R. William, Alpha and Miss Ora Coleman of Boone; also Miss Virgie Johnson spent Christmas in our city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Morgan. A lovely time reported.

Mr. Wm. Coleman, formerly of Boone, but now a successful Illinois farmer, was in our city a few days this week. He called at the Bystander office and ordered the paper. He likes old Iowa.

Mr. Jordan Richardson and wife of Kansas City spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Yancy of 908 West Twelfth street. They enjoyed a pleasant visit and returned home Monday very much impressed with Des Moines.

The newly elected and appointed officers of North Star Lodge No. 2, were installed last Monday night and are as follows: James H. Woods, W. M.; Benjamin J. Hack, S. W.; Geo. I. Holt, J. W.; E. Tracy Blagburn, Treas. Herbert E. Jacobs, Sec.; James B. Rush, S. D.; William J. Jones, J. D.; Tolbert Woods, S. S.; John McClain, J. S.; E. S. Morgan, Chaplain; James Mitchell, Tyler.

Among the Christmas festivities was the bob-sled party given by a number of the young men of the city. The first stop was made about 10:30 at the Variety store where refreshments were served. The ride was resumed over the city until about one a. m. Those present from out of the city was Mrs. Daisy Lemme, Miss Ida Hayde and Mr. Pittman of Iowa.

### New Years Ball

Given By  
**WILD ROSE CLUB**  
AT  
**Commercial Hall**  
Saturday Jan. 1st, 1910  
MUSIC BY MORGAN'S ORCHESTRA.  
8:30 p. m. General Admission 35c  
Luncheonette Refreshments Served.

### Busy Bee Restaurant

Good meals and lunches at all hours. Reasonable prices.  
Ed Mason, Prop. 309 E. Walnut

## EMANCIPATION DAY.

Pursuant to the call of the president of the Iowa State Afro-American council, S. Joe Brown, the local council will observe January 1 as the official Emancipation day with exercises appropriate to and in accordance with the spirit of such an occasion of the Corinthian Baptist church, corner Fifteenth and Linden streets, New Year's evening at 8 o'clock. The following program will be rendered:

Song—"My country 'Tis of Thee" Congregation.  
Invocation, Rev. H. W. Porter.  
Reading of the Emancipation Proclamation, Mrs. H. W. Hughes.  
Vocal solo, E. Tracy Blagburn.  
Lincoln's Gettysburg oration, Albert R. Hall.  
Duet, violin and piano, Misses Colleen and Edna Alexander.  
Address—"Forty-five years of freedom" Rev. T. L. Griffith.  
Baritone solo, H. W. Hughes.  
Symposium on Lincoln:  
"As a Lawyer and Debater," S. Joe Brown.  
"As a Humanitarian" Rev. H. W. Porter.  
"His place in American Political History" Rev. I. N. Daniels.  
"His Practical Knowledge of Men." Rev. F. Douglass Woodford.  
Instrumental solo, Miss Zoe Richardson.  
A paper—"Our Future, What of It?" J. Clifford Williams.  
No admission will be charged, so everyone should come out and assist in paying tribute to the immortal Lincoln.

## THE VARIETY

has permanently reopened to the public and cordially invite your patronage.  
Meals and Lunch at all hours.  
Serving evening parties a specialty  
Special Chicken Dinner Sundays.  
Call and eat with us.  
1010 Center Street.

## KENNARD'S

Home of Good Things To Eat : : :  
If we please you, tell your neighbor; if not tell us : : :  
Iowa Phone 2211-J.  
922 Center Street.

## MRS. L. DENNY,

the reliable rooming house keeper has moved into larger quarters, located at 507 West Grand avenue.

## The Syndicate Cafe

Serves good meals and Lunches at all hours.  
Give us a call. C. H. Browning, Mgr.  
304 West Grand Avenue.

## HITEMAN, IOWA.

The Christmas tree given by the S. S. of Rising Mount Zion Baptist church on Christmas Eve night was a very nice affair. The superintendent and pupils seem to have spared no pains in trying to make it representative. The tree was beautifully decorated and laden with beautiful presents, and many a heart was made glad by the gifts which it contained.  
An excellent program was rendered and many fitting speeches and addresses were said in keeping with the occasion. The writer falls to have at hand the names of all the participants and the subject of their pieces, but this may come later. One of the principal features of the evening was an address by C. W. Cothron; subject, "Christmas—its Origin, its Tree; the Time and Place to Celebrate," and being quite historical, it was both instructive and entertaining and was well received. As all pieces that were rendered. The service great credit in the way it was carried out.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Randolph entertained at dinner Sunday the following persons: Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cothron and family; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Nance and family. The extensive table was laden with turkey and cranberry sauce in great prominence. All the delicacies of the season were served, and it was served as only the hostess knows how to serve.  
Mr. Henry Ednas is still indisposed. Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Bates are expected in the city Wednesday. On Wednesday evening the Women's Board of Missions of the Rising Mount Zion Baptist church. While in the city they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Randolph.

For Eczema, Tetter and Salt Rheum  
The intense itching characteristic of these ailments is almost instantly allayed by Chamberlain's Salve. Many severe cases have been cured by it. For sale by all druggists.  
For a few days we are making a special rate of the Bystander, one year \$1.00.

## The Union Mutual Aid Association

Strong Business Concern at Jacksonville, Which Gives Employment to Hundreds of Young Men and Women, Has Proved Its Worth—Colonel W. S. Sumter a Napoleon of Finance.

By GEORGE F. KING.  
Among the many industrial concerns that are promoted by Afro-Americans, with headquarters at Jacksonville, Fla., is the Union Mutual Aid Association of America. This is one of the staunchest Afro-American companies in this section of the south. Its thousands of policy holders among all classes of people is a sufficient endorsement of its integrity and progress. In every town and hamlet of Florida will be found a force of intelligent young men and women representing this company. The company enjoys the distinction of being the oldest Afro-American insurance company of its class in the United States. Its agents are potent factors in diffusing among the thousands of people each week inspiration and a spirit of self help that are causing them to materially contribute to the success of commendable racial movements. The company has a deposit of \$10,000 in the state treasury for the protection of its policy holders. The man who has, through his force of character, ability and finance, been the lever of this successful movement in Florida is Colonel W. S. Sumter. In holding the position of manager and treasurer he has proved himself to be a Napoleon of finance. Colonel Sumter is one of the leading contractors of the state. Although comparatively a young man, yet he is shrewd and quick at business. He owns property in the exclusive sections of the city and is among the largest realty holders of



COLONEL W. S. SUMTER.

our people in Jacksonville. As a churchman he is zealous and is vestryman, treasurer of St. Philip's Protestant Episcopal church and director of the senior chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. He is a Mason and colonel on the brigadier general's staff of the Knights of Pythias of Florida. The Union Mutual Aid Association of America has had a long, successful business career. It has proved its worth to the race and has by its strict business methods demonstrated to the world that Afro-Americans in the south are not losing heart on account of race discrimination along all lines, but are determined to win success by thrift, industry, perseverance and self reliance.

## Reunion of Sons of Virginia Jan. 6.

Among the important gatherings for the first week in January in Brooklyn will be the annual business and social meeting of the Society of the Sons of Virginia on Thursday evening, Jan. 6. After the reading of the annual report by Treasurer Graham H. Carter and the installation of the newly elected officers the meeting will take the form of a social reunion among the members, their families, friends and the invited guests. A collation will be served, followed by after dinner speeches. Mr. P. H. Fisher, Sr., succeeds himself as president.

## Bright Day After Long, Black Night.

With Booker T. the greatest and foremost exponent of industrial education in the world, France organizing an army of 200,000 Negro soldiers, Matt Henson standing on the north pole and Jack Johnson the acknowledged champion of the world, it would appear that the "man and brother" was coming into his own. Well, it has been a long, black night, and let us hope the day may be bright.—Dallas (Tex.) Express.

## Bill For New High School Building.

If the bill recently introduced in congress by Senator Burkett providing for the expenditure of \$200,000 for the erection of a new high school building for Afro-Americans at Washington becomes a law it will fill a long felt need in the educational facilities of the District among our people.

C. W. McDougal on Whitman's Staff.  
Upon the recommendation of Dr. Booker T. Washington District Attorney Elect Charles S. Whitman of New York has appointed C. W. McDougal, an Afro-American, as his staff of assistant district attorneys.

## WASHINGTON, IOWA, NOTES.

Mrs. G. W. Black and daughter Ruth spent Xmas with relatives at Oskaloosa.  
The Christmas exercises at the A. M. E. church last Friday night were a success in every way, the program given by the juveniles of the Sunday School being well prepared and presented in good form. The Christmas tree was the best had in many years.  
The Misses Edna and Anna Jones of Oskaloosa were the guests of their sister Theodore Turner, during the holidays.  
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Washington and son Joe, of Hocking, Ia.; Mrs. S. W. Calloway and daughter Margaret of Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Williams of Muscatine, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Black over Christmas.

Mrs. Henry Rhodes is visiting relatives in Indiana.  
Mr. Henry Ciswell and two sons spent Christmas at Fairfield, their former home.  
Mr. John Spencer of Grinnell visited recently at the home of his brothers, Horace and Harvey Spencer. Mr. Spencer is a good representative of the race.  
Bob Armstrong, the noted colored trainer who will assist in training Jeffries for his coming fight with Jack Johnson, spent the holidays with his mother here and other friends.

Thursday evening, Dec. 2, at Oskaloosa, Ia., occurred the wedding of Miss Jessie Jones and Mr. Theodore Turner of Washington. The happy couple will make their home here.  
Henry Rhodes has joined his wife in Indiana.  
Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Black entertained a few friends in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Washington of Hocking, Ia., and Mrs. S. W. Calloway and daughter Margaret of Chicago, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Williams of Muscatine, who were visiting at the N. L. Black home. Music and dancing were indulged in and the evening passed pleasantly.

## CLARINDA ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Casson entertained at Xmas dinner Mrs. Tillee Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. E. Bolton, Mr. and Mrs. L. Pemberton and Mr. Give Nolen, also Mrs. E. Casson. A jolly time was had by all.  
Mr. and Mrs. T. Jones entertained a number of friends at Xmas dinner.  
Mrs. Eliza Casson is spending the holidays with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. Casson.  
Miss Susie Lee and Katie Johnson are spending the holidays in Des Moines.

The A. M. E. church had a concert and a Xmas tree under the leadership of Mrs. Bell.

A first class hotel is opened in the city one block west of the freight depot. It is now ready for patronage; Mr. Williams, proprietor.  
Miss Margie Towner and Mrs. Mary Knight are expected to arrive in the city next month from Sioux City.  
The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Stewart and left a bouncing baby girl.  
Mr. Ed Pemberton left Thursday to spend the holidays in Springfield, Mo.  
Dr. Wm. Gibson, who has been confined to his home for some time with a broken limb, is improving slowly.  
Mrs. J. Jones has been on the sick list with throat trouble, but is better now.  
Little Louie Pemberton has been ill.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Jones arrived here from Red Oak and are living at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Jones.  
Mr. Charlie Phander still remains very low.

The Baptist church had a concert Christmas.  
The A. M. E. church is progressing nicely under the leadership of the new pastor, Rev. Bell.

## OTTUMWA, IOWA.

Miss Garner Fowler has returned home from Lincoln Institute to spend his holidays.  
Miss Ollie Alexander and Miss Robinson of Keokuk are spending the holidays here.  
Mr. Raymond Clarke left Saturday night to visit several weeks at Battle Creek, Mich.  
Rev. B. F. Abner is visiting relatives in Texas.  
Mr. Arthur Henderson of Minneapolis is visiting in Ottumwa.  
Mrs. Bertie Graham and children are visiting her mother at Chillicothe, Mo.  
The Afro-American Council will celebrate January 1 by holding an open house affair at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith. At 8 o'clock an elegant program will be rendered.  
Mr. Mayo Weeks, who has been ill for several weeks, is much improved.  
Miss Nora Harris is visiting in Kirksville, Mo.

## ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

Miss Ruby Holmes of Chicago is visiting friends in Rock Island.  
Miss Lizzie Morris entertained friends at a 4 o'clock luncheon Sunday evening.  
Miss Hattie Tolliver is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Hibrung of Chicago.  
Mrs. Marie Bell of Davenport is the guest of Mrs. Lambert of South Rock Island for an indefinite time.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. Lambert of South Rock Island entertained Messrs. Murphy, Searcy and Mr. Wm. Fulton at a Xmas dinner. The houses was beautifully decorated in Xmas greenery. A six-course dinner was served.  
A beautiful Xmas entertainment was given at the residence of Mrs. H. Hueston in South Rock Island last Friday evening. Santa Claus was present and treated the children to nuts and candy. A program was rendered during the evening by the children. They also had a large Xmas tree.

One of the most delightful events of the season was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stoner, 522 Webb street. An elegant three-course dinner was served. The guests present were Rev. Penn and wife, Mr. and Mrs. T. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. G. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. S. Taylor, Miss Lucy Coffman and Miss Bettie Gordon. A beautiful program was rendered. The guests departed at a late hour saying Mr. and Mrs. Stoner were royal entertainers.

## Africa's Brave Son Heard From

Mon. James C. Smith of British Sierra Leone. Schooled in the Sociological, Financial and Economic Questions of His Country. Is Shrewd Statesman and Scholar.

By "BRUCE GRIT."  
It was, I believe, Burke who said, "Great men are the guideposts of a nation," and Shakespeare said, "Some men are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them."  
Both Burke and Shakespeare were right. "Great men are the guideposts of a nation," and "some men are born great." The subject of our sketch is "a guidepost not only of a nation, but of the nations, and he was born great—



MON. JAMES CARMICHAEL SMITH.

great in the conception and promulgation of practical and useful ideas; great in the ability to state with clearness and precision his views upon the financial, sociological, economic and industrial questions, to the consideration of which he has devoted years of patient study and application; great as a scholar and thinker who has revolutionized modern accepted theories as to the solution of these questions and the highest authorities on economics in the world as well as by leading financiers and sociologists in Europe, Asia and Africa. There is but little if any doubt as to the accuracy of the writer's knowledge of his subject.

Mr. Smith gets right at the kernel of his subject in the following vigorous and drastic sentences: "We must get down to the facts and realize the magnitude of the financial power controlled today by small groups of men, some of them the most villainously unscrupulous specimens of the human race, and these money kings effectively rule the men who nominally govern the nations." This is neatly put and is as incisive as it is true to the facts as they present themselves to every observant man who has watched the trend of affairs in financial circles in the United States.

Mr. Smith was born in 1852. From June, 1876, to August, 1889, he was chief clerk and storekeeper of the Imperial treasury and commissariat department in the Bahamas; member of the board of education, 1888 to 1902; postmaster, 1889 to 1893; justice of the peace, 1890; member of Bahama house of assembly, 1882, 1889 and 1896; resigned in 1897; assistant postmaster general, Sierra Leone, 1896; justice of the peace, 1897; acting postmaster general, 1897, 1899 and 1900; acting curator of institutes, Sierra Leone, from January, 1890, to January, 1900; postmaster general and manager of government savings bank, 1900; acting collector of customs, October, 1902, to April, 1903; acting colonial treasurer in 1906 and postmaster general in 1909.

The race may well feel proud of this able and scholarly representative, who has trodden paths which few if any members of it have thus far ventured to do, either in Europe or America. We greatly suspect that our friend Mr. Smith had said the last word on the subjects covered in his eight or more books and numerous pamphlets which he has written on the money question and kindred questions growing out of it. If John C. Calhoun, who doubted the ability of the Negro to conjugate a Greek verb was in the flesh and read one of Mr. Smith's books he would probably acknowledge the truth of the famous utterance of the polished African Terence: "Homo sum; humani nihil a me alienum puto."

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## BUXTON BRIEFS.

(By Rambler.)  
Rev. I. N. Daniels of Des Moines visited our city week and joined in holy wedlock Miss Violet Lucas and Mr. Mays, the bride being the daughter of Mr. J. B. Lucas, Buxton's well known baker, and the groom a brother of Mrs. Ellen Mays Lucas, Buxton's popular school teacher. The ceremony was performed at noon Wednesday, December 29th.  
The Christmas festivities at each and all the churches were successes from every point of view.  
The Monroe Mercantile and Consolidated Coal Companies, as usual, donated heavily with a full view of supplying every child in Buxton with a full taste of Christmas sweets and a present.  
The churches and their respective pastors were liberal in their eulogies of these concerns on the account of which giving symposiums by voice and note.  
The funeral service of Mable Underwood was held at the St. John A. M. E. church Sunday morning, conducted by Dr. Butler. Appropriate condolences were read by the Misses Ruth Lowry and Price, representing respectively the public school and A. M. E. Sunday school. Interment was at Alpha the same afternoon. Commitment by Pastor Butler.  
Mr. and Mrs. Parker, No. 8 1/2

## SIoux CITY ITEMS.

The A. M. E. Sunday School held its exercises Christmas night. A nice program was rendered by the little folks.  
There will be a watch meeting at the A. M. E. church beginning at 10 o'clock.  
The Philomonic club of the A. M. E. church gave a supper at the church parlor Tuesday evening. A nice program was rendered.  
The Starlight club of the A. M. E. church will have a New Year's dinner on Saturday, Jan. 1, 1910.  
The Porters' club gave a grand Christmas Eve ball at Seltzer's hall Friday evening, Dec. 24. There was a large number of jolly young people who enjoyed every number on the program.  
The Pott orchestra gave a nice ball Saturday evening, Dec. 25, at Simeon's hall. A nice crowd of dancers were present.  
Mrs. Birdie Matthews of Red Oak, Ia., arrived in our city Monday for an indefinite stay. She is the guest of her uncle, Mr. Washington.  
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Mr. Groomes, who recently came to our city, was knocked down by a street car last week and severely shaken up. He was taken to the Samaritan hospital for several days, but at the present he is being cared for at his home on 513 1/2 Maine street.  
Mr. Chas. Murray entertained four of his gentlemen friends to a Christmas dinner Saturday at Mrs. Roberts' restaurant, she serving the dinner.  
Miss Lena Dewitt of Red Oak is in our city visiting. She accompanied Mrs. B. Matthews home.

Mr. and Mrs. Little son Maceo are visiting relatives and friends in Le Grand, Mo.  
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## GALESBURG, ILL.

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Mrs. Geo. Fletcher, Sr., who recently returned from Chicago, is ill at her home.  
Miss Gertrude Lucas of Bedford, Ia., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lucas.  
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Miss Beatrice Murray of Fort Madison is spending the holidays with her parents.  
Roy Lyons has returned from a visit in Davenport.  
The husbands and gentlemen friends of the D. D. W. C. were hosts at a reception Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McBride. The members of the club were royally entertained. During the evening dainty refreshments were served in three courses. Present from out of the city were Miss Floy McGaw of Davenport and Miss Daisy Walker of Indianopolis.  
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The A. M. E. Sunday school held their annual Xmas entertainment. A short program was given during the evening, after which presents were distributed. Each faithful pupil received a pretty present from the Sunday school.  
Lincoln Memorial Chapel served dinner Christmas day, ending the evening with a concert.  
A wedding of interest here was solemnized in Chicago Dec. 14, when Miss Louise Mason, formerly of this city, and Mr. Henry Jones of Chicago were united in marriage. They went immediately to housekeeping in a newly furnished flat. Mr. Jones has many friends here who wish them much happiness and success through life.  
Jefferson Gash, a well known and respected colored resident of this city, died at his home at the corner of Henderson and First streets. Mr. Gash sustained a paralytic stroke on Dec. 15 and since that time he has been comatose. Under the circumstances, his death was not unexpected. Mr. Gash was born in the south in the days of slavery. He was a slave, and when the Civil war broke out secured his liberty and served two years under the Union flag. He was honorably discharged, and after the war came to Galesburg, where he was united in marriage with Mrs. B. W. Gash. The relatives surviving are the wife, two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Monroe and Mrs. Lucinda Craig, both of this city; four brothers, Anderson Gash, Tifford Gash and George Gash of this city and William Gash of Chicago; four grandchildren, Ray, Eddie, Jeffie and Junita Richardson. Mr. Gash was a member of the A. M. E. church.

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This country is now filled with people who murmur across the country in all directions seeking that which gold cannot buy. Ninetenths of them are suffering from throat and lung trouble or chronic catarrh resulting from neglected colds, and spending fortunes vainly trying to regain lost health. Could every sufferer but undo the past and cure that first neglected cold all this sorrow, pain, anxiety and expense could have been avoided. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures of colds, and can always be depended upon. Use it and the more serious disease may be avoided. For sale by all druggists.  
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MT. PLEASANT NOTES

Mrs. Gertrude Stepp and daughter... Mrs. Nellie Palmer entertained at six o'clock dinner Christmas day...

The Sunday School program conducted by Miss Lone Mason and assisted by Miss Nora Bartlett was well attended and was a success.

BUXTON BRIEFS

Dear Editor—I thought I would give you a few doings from our locality as we are still moving on with the tide of progress. There have been many things going on this fall...

MOLINE ITEMS

Mrs. Nora Taylor of Chicago, who has been assisting in carrying on revival meetings, departed for her home last Thursday.

The Christmas exercises of the Sunday school were held Christmas eve. A very appreciative program was rendered by the primary and junior students...

Mrs. Albert Settles has returned from Chicago after spending Yuletide with her parents.

Mrs. Geo. Price left Friday for Chicago to visit her mother over Christmas.

Mrs. L. B. Tarver charmingly entertained the H. B. Club at her home last Thursday, it being the Christmas meeting. The house was decorated fit for the occasion and all the members looked charming in their beautiful white dresses.

On Christmas Day occurred the death of Mr. John Brown of South Moline. Mr. Brown had been sick for some time with consumption. The funeral was conducted from the home Monday afternoon, Rev. T. W. Lewis officiating.

KEOKUK NOTES

Dr. Frousey, our popular colored doctor, has come to Des Moines to continue the practice of Dr. J. H. Williams while he is away.

The Sunshine Club of the A. M. E. church are arranging to keep open doors on New Year's Day and evening. The committee who has this New Year's reception in charge are making elaborate plans for the function...

Mr. J. H. White of Denver, Colo., is visiting at the home of his father, Mr. Thomas White, 1123 Orleans street.

Union Lodge No. 1, A. F. and A. M., held their installation Monday evening, Dec. 27, at their lodge hall on North Fifth street, after which an elaborate supper was served to the guests...

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Mr. John Lewis at the Republican office, Mr. British Thomas chauffeur for Evans, Mr. Roy A. Grayson engineer at Hocking Valley Coal Company, Mr. John Wright at Kroger Bakery, Mr. Ben Gathers at Burger's Hardware store learning the plumbing trade, Mr. B. T. Lewis as janitor at Jefferson schoolhouse, Mr. Will Hennings contractor for cement walks and laying foundations and plaster work, employed from six to seven hands most all the year through.

There are about twenty families who own very comfortable homes, one church, a number of children in the public schools, like all other of larger towns she has her clubs and church societies.—Mary F. Davis.

THE DELINEATOR FOR JANUARY. Women writers make The Delineator for January the most important of the midwinter magazines. Mrs. Philip N. Moore, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, explains what the clubwomen of the United States expect to accomplish, during 1910.

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Mr. Selby Johnson is indisposed.

Miss Katie Owens very pleasantly entertained at 6 o'clock luncheon Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Smith of Des Moines.

Mrs. A. J. Fields very pleasantly entertained the Cotera club Wednesday evening at her home, 323 North Third street. After serving a dainty repast, which was indulged in until a late hour. The guest of honor was Mrs. Josephine Weaver of Kalamazoo, Mich.

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Mr. S. Grayson served Christmas dinner to a number of her friends. Mr. and Mrs. H. Phippen entertained at 3 o'clock dinner Sunday, Rev. R. P. Palmer and wife.

A very interesting program was rendered at the Literary last Monday night. The pastor gave a very interesting lecture on the subject "Fixed Purpose." After the program the Literary, with thirty-two in number, surprised the pastor with a pound party.

The Xmas tree and program given at the Second Baptist Church under the leadership of Mrs. Palmer, was excellent. The church was beautifully decorated with Xmas colors of red and green. Then followed the distributing of some very valuable gifts. The pastor's name was the first to be called.

All went home through the blurring snow enjoying the presents received.

Mrs. G. Jackson of Bronley street left Friday evening for Davenport to spend the Xmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Ewing and family of Des Moines were the guests of Mrs. Ewing's sister, Mrs. B. Quells, during the holidays.

On the 25th day of December, at 2:30 o'clock, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. M. Williams of 912 Turner street, occurred the marriage of Miss Olive Williams to Mr. Samuel L. Starks, Rev. R. P. Palmer officiating. The bride was gowned in blue silk, while the groom wore a conventional black. The supper was fine, being served by an expert cook. They expect to make Marshalltown their home after their return.

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DAVENPORT NOTES. Bethel A. M. E. church held its Christmas tree and exercises Christmas evening. A Christmas cantata was rendered, entitled "Seeing Santa Claus," under the direction of Mrs. R. Bright, Christmas carols, and recitations were also rendered. After distributing the presents, light refreshments were served.

Mr. Harry Richardson is at home with his mother, Mrs. B. R. Bright. He has secured a position at the St. James.

Mr. Moon of Quincy, Ill., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. W. Clayton of Harrison street, for the holidays.

Mr. H. McGaw, one of the old residents of this city, seems to be very much indisposed for the last few days. Gen. Houston is not any better at this writing.

The Third Baptist church held its Christmas tree and exercises Christmas eve.

Rev. T. B. Stovall and wife were callers in the east end Monday afternoon. They held religious services with Gen. Houston and his family.

Miss Margaret Payne left for Louisville, Ky., Monday morning, where she will enter the hospital to be a trained nurse.

guest of Rev. S. L. Birt Monday. Mrs. Faanle Parker and daughters Eva and Jessie leave this week for Clarinda, where they expect to make their future home.

THE CHURCHES. Corinthian Baptist Church—corner of Fifteenth and Linden streets. Preaching from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. and 7:30 to 8:15 p.m. Rev. T. L. Grimm, Pastor.

St. Paul A. M. E.—Corner of Second and Center streets. Preaching at 10:30 a.m. (Sunday School at 9 o'clock, S. Joe Brown Superintendent; Epworth League at 7 p.m.; preaching at 7 p.m. Geo. W. Galles, pastor.

Maple Street Baptist Church—situated on E. Maple between Ninth and Tenth streets. Preaching 11 a.m.; Sunday School 9 a.m.; Epworth League 7:30 p.m.; prayer meeting every fourth Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. Prayer meeting every second Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. Rev. F. Douglas Woodford, pastor.

SECRET ORDERS. North Star Lodge, No. 2, A. F. & A. M.—Meets First Thursday in each month at Masonic Hall—North-west corner of Tenth and Center streets. J. L. Thompson, W. M.; Herbert E. Jacobs, secretary.

Hiram Chapter—Meets Second Thursday in each month. Harrison Gould High Priest; Rev. J. L. Thompson, W. M.; Herbert E. Jacobs, secretary.

Charity Lodge No. 2189, U. O. of O. F.—Meets first, second and fourth Thursdays each month at 604 Fellows hall on Ninth and Park streets. Frank P. Johnson, N. G. L. M. Brown, P. T. M.

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The fireproof mine has not yet been dug.

If you have an enemy, persuade him to go deer hunting.

Nature smiled on football—and the undertakers—this year.

Snowbirds are crowding the quail pretty close in the northwest.

See that your horse is well blanketed and well shod during the winter.

Mars must have started a deep waterways movement thousand of years ago.

The football season is ended, and boxers are figuring up the dead and injured.

It will be new Turkey in fact, with telephones and telephone girls in Constantinople.

The high price of food has seriously reduced the income of many stomach specialists.

Ohio may be the greatest state up in the air, but Texas is pre-eminent on the ground.

Indian summer is always sure of getting the glad hand when it plays a return engagement.

With your five or six inch object glass telescope, you may easily see Mr. Halley's comet now.

If football would eliminate mass plays it would no longer be encountered with a death list.

A Nebraska court has decided that kissing a girl does not constitute a proposal. So go ahead, fellows!

In Chicago are men who make bomb-throwing a profession. In Russia it is a habit, not a profession.

Lots of old-fashioned people will soon begin to tell us of the time when Christmas used to come in the winter.

Spots on the sun now may be seen with the naked eye, provided the eye is first modestly veiled with smoked glass.

Victor Hugo made himself rich writing books, but that doesn't say that every man should take to writing books.

One difference in current sports seems to be that in aviation necks are imperiled, while in football they are broken.

Lunar eclipses that hope to receive favorable mention in this column must show up at a respectable early hour in the evening.

An Indiana woman calls her husband a "mag" and a "scold." Doubtless the cruel creature has refused to button her gown in the back.

A big concern in New Jersey is to bring about a cut in ribbons. So there will be some comforting exceptions to the rise of the necessities of life.

At last the Balkan states have formed some kind of union for the purpose of pushing the Balkan war cloud off the political water-mark.

There recently died in Nebraska a man who saw the Chicago fire, the Galveston flood, the San Francisco disaster and spent four winters in Alaska.

The new Chinese minister to this country brings 67 servants with him. Astute man. Had he made it 57 he would have been in a pickle with the paragraders.

It must be really awkward for a bride whose husband was careless about the staying qualities of his divorce to discover that she never was really married.

There is no wild enthusiasm over the successful efforts of a French scientist to make a dead dog howl. It is hardly necessary to start an investigation into the cause for this lack of appreciation.

Director Lowell of the observatory at Flagstaff, A. T., reports the discovery of the first Antarctic snowfall of the season on Mars. Is it not now up to the director of some other observatory to demand at once samples of the snow before the report can be believed? Discoverers are not taking the words of other discoverers without proofs these days.

National budgets appear to be the chief source of worry to European governments. France is the latest to experience trouble in this direction. Her proposed budget this year is \$40,000,000 greater than the preceding one, and provides for new taxes which make the taxpayers sit up and take notice. As the taxes were pretty heavy before, the additional burden will not make the people any more contented.

Those so-called craters on the moon may be merely the marks of bumps received in collisions with other orbs, but that theory does not seem to explain the presence of a tall cone in the center of so many of them.

The top record of American building permits in October were: Seattle, 1,847; Brooklyn, 1,235; Philadelphia, 1,183; Chicago, 986. In coast Brooklyn and Chicago were nearly alike, with New York county, which erects few buildings but big ones, far ahead of either.

French aeronauts have ascended in a monoplane to a height of 1,345 feet and in a biplane to 1,181 feet. While people generally are unacquainted with details they are satisfied that flying machines are vindicating their name.

A foreigner must be in China for 20 years before he is naturalized. This has the advantage of giving him time for reflection and prevents the government from absorbing him too hastily. But it is a very hard job on the conscientious of a foreigner.

# BRICK AND TILE MEN

Will Hold Twenty-eighth Convention in Des Moines.

PROGRAM HAS BEEN ISSUED

The Business Sessions Will Open on Tuesday, January 11th, and Continue During Wednesday and Thursday.

Des Moines, Dec. 31.—The twenty-eighth annual convention of the Iowa Brick and Tile association will be held in Des Moines on January 11, 12 and 13. About one hundred men interested in this manufacturing industry are expected to attend. Headquarters for the convention will be at the Savery hotel, where all business sessions will be held. The business sessions will open on January 11 and continue for three days, and the afternoon of January 13 will be devoted to a visit to the local tile and pipe plants.

Following is the official program:

**TUESDAY.**

9:00 a. m.—Registration and payment of dues.

10:00 a. m.—Address of welcome, Mayor J. Mathis, Des Moines; response for clay workers Mr. William Brecht, Des Moines; president's annual address, Mr. J. L. Stevens, Boone, Ia.; appointment of committees.

2:00 p. m.—"Freight Rates on Iowa Clay Products." E. G. Wylie, freight commissioner Greater Des Moines committee, Des Moines; "Some Practical Experience in Drying Brick and Tile," Mr. H. R. Straight, Adel, Ia.; "Iowa's Greatest Drainage Fields," Prof. A. Marston, Ames, Ia.

**WEDNESDAY.**

9:30 a. m.—"Why an Association?" Mr. G. A. Wrightman, secretary Iowa Manufacturers' association, Des Moines; "Difficulties Encountered in a Medium Capacity Plant and Their Practical Solution," Mr. J. A. Wilson, Dows, Ia.; "Promotion of Clay Building Construction," Mr. C. W. Lansing, editor of "Brick," Chicago.

2:00 p. m.—"Iowa Clay Fields; Their Possibilities," Prof. S. W. Byer, Ames, Ia.; "An Organized Sale of an Organized Product," Mr. George H. Emery, Des Moines; "Burning Brick and Tile," M. C. Furman, Des Moines.

**THURSDAY.**

9:30 a. m.—Questions; discussions of subjects proposed by members; reports of committees; reports of secretary and treasurer; election of officers; adjournment.

**Farmers' Short Course.**

Hopkinton.—Lenox college will conduct a week's short course in agriculture in connection with the agricultural extension work at Iowa State college at Ames, the dates being fixed from January 31 to February 5, 1910. This course is particularly designed for the benefit of farmers and young men who are unable to take the full courses in agriculture offered by the State college or the agricultural department of Lenox college. At the same time a domestic science course will be offered for women. The studies for the week will include treatment of all the subjects in elementary and advanced agriculture, as outlined by the extension department.

**Dairying, dairy cattle and feeding.**

Corn breeding, judging and demonstrations.

Soils and their treatment, fertilization, rotation of crops.

Drainage problems.

Stock breeding—Horses, beef and dairy cattle, sheep and hogs.

Domestic science—Selection and preparation of food, sewing, house furnishing, nursing, hygiene and kindred subjects. Illustrations and actual demonstrations will be made by instructors.

Valuable premiums will be awarded in the corn contest, which will be divided into two divisions. The first division will be confined to contestants who have exhibited or taken prizes in state or international shows. The second division will be open to amateur corn growers who have not contested in such exhibitions.

**J. H. Wintrose Shoots Himself.**

Winterset.—Dr. J. H. Wintrose, president of the Citizen's National bank of this city, shot and killed himself sitting at his desk. Ill health is given as the cause.

**Section Man Gets Big Sum.**

Garner.—After deliberating all night, the jury in the case of Lehman vs. the M. & St. L. railway brought in a verdict of \$6,000 for the plaintiff.

**Man Attempts Suicide.**

Kellogg.—Tom Merkle, aged 23, for the past two years a traveling salesman shot himself in the right eye with a .22 caliber revolver.

**Attempted Hold Up.**

Lake City.—A robber tried to hold up F. Dalkker of Auburn near here. He grabbed his horse by the bit but Dalkker leaped from the saddle and knocked him down and ran his horse half a mile before he looked back.

**Boy Rewarded for Finding Check.**

Ottumwa.—Ralph Ward, a messenger boy was given five dimes, a Lincoln penny and a cigar for returning to C. L. Wilson, a check for \$505.85 which Wilson had lost and the boy found on the postoffice steps.

**Old Pioneer Dead.**

Council Bluffs.—Mrs. James W. Leverett, aged 73, a pioneer resident of this city, died in Claremont, California, of pneumonia. She and her husband celebrated their golden anniversary here three years ago.

**Tabernacle Destroyed by Fire.**

Des Moines.—Fire of unknown origin totally destroyed the old Tabernacle on East Grand avenue between Fourth and Fifth streets and did considerable damage to adjoining buildings.

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# SAYS PEOPLE ARE PLUNDERED

CHIEF FORESTER PINCHOT FLAYS "RICH CRIMINALS."

Declares Special Interests Have Made Repeated Attacks on U. S. Forest Service.

New York.—That the people of the United States have been the complacent victims of a system of plunder of the public forests—crimes often perpetrated by men of high station in commercial and social life—was the open declaration of Chief United States Forester Gifford Pinchot in an address before a number of prominent publishers at the University club.

Condemning the methods of these "rich criminals," he said:

"But they have suffered from a serious moral perversion by which it becomes praiseworthy to do for a corporation things which they would refuse with the loftiest scorn to do for themselves. Fortunately for us, all that delusion is passing rapidly away."

"The American people have evidently made up their minds that our natural resources must be conserved," he said. "That is good, but it settles only half the question. For whose benefit shall they be conserved—for the benefit of the many, or for the use and profit of the few? The great conflict now being fought will decide. There is no other question before us that will be so difficult to straddle—as the great question between special interest and equal opportunity; between the rights of the many, the law, and the privileges of the few; between government by men for human welfare and government by money for profit; between the men who stand for the Roosevelt policies and the men who stand against them. This is the essence of the conservation problem to-day."

**SLAYS GIRL; KILLS SELF**

Fondly Embracing Sweetheart Roy McKinley Shoots Her, Then Ends His Own Existence.

Peru, Ind.—Embracing her fondly as he placed a revolver against her body Roy McKinley of Indianapolis Wednesday shot and killed Dora Chapdelain in the dining-room of the Bears hotel, and then ended his own life with the same weapon.

McKinley robbed a restaurant in Indianapolis, and it is believed that the daring hold-up was committed to gain funds to take him to Peru. Letters found in the dead man's pockets show that the murder of his sweetheart was planned a week ago.

**Taft Defines Whisky.**

Washington.—The definition of the word "whisky" by the highest legal authority was given Sunday when President Taft rendered the final decision on the subject in connection with the construction of the pure food law with reference to labeling. The president held that whisky made of neutral spirits is whisky when reduced to potable strength. The decision follows by the royal commission of Great Britain and reverses the verdict of former President Roosevelt, former Attorney General Bonaparte, Solicitor General Bowers and Dr. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry.

**Farmer Freezes to Death.**

Bloomington, Ill.—The body of Marlin Motts, a farmer of near Leroy, aged 60, was found in the road near his home. He had fallen from his sleigh and froze to death.

**Peary Invited to Antwerp.**

Washington.—An invitation to address the Royal Geographical society of Antwerp, Belgium, was received by Commander R. E. Peary Wednesday. The invitation is to speak upon Peary's discovery of the north pole.

**Chivington Is Chosen President.**

Chicago.—Thomas M. Chivington of Louisville was Wednesday elected president of the American Baseball association to succeed Joseph D. O'Brien, who has been at the head of the circuit for the past five years.

**Identifies Murdered Man.**

Kansas City, Mo.—Trellis Hendricks, a carpenter, who found the body of a slain man in a pile of brush on the outskirts of Kansas City, Kan., last Sunday, Tuesday identified the body as that of his brother-in-law, John Whiteside of Carthage, Mo.

**Fourteen-Year-Old Boy Selders.**

Toledo, O.—Sent to the cells because he refused to get for his mother a pail of water, Herman Miller, aged 14 years, son of John C. Miller, hanged himself Tuesday.

# PEACE TERMS ARE REJECTED

Gen. Estrada Rejects Proposals Offered by President Madriz for Suspension of Hostilities.

Washington.—Gen. Estrada, revolutionary leader in Nicaragua, will not accept the extraordinary terms proposed by Madriz, new president, as a basis for peace.

A telegram from Bluefields Tuesday said that Madriz proposed to Estrada December 22 a suspension of hostilities pending the arrival of a committee which he was sending to Estrada to discuss an amicable and equitable settlement. In his telegram Madriz begged Estrada not to obstruct his efforts for peace.

Gen. Estrada, in his reply, expressed his willingness to meet the Madriz commissioners, but said the revolutionary party would not recognize the action of the legislative assembly in placing power in the hands of Madriz. He denied emphatically the assembly's right to deal with the election of president. He said that he saw in Madriz the usurper of the rights of the Nicaraguan people.

Managua, Nicaragua.—The new president of Nicaragua, Jose Madriz, is taking hold of affairs with a strong hand.

Zelaya left him the legacy of an empty treasury, and soon after President Madriz had publicly announced, in effect, that the country was practically on the verge of bankruptcy, the arrest of Joaquin Pares, Zelaya's son-in-law, and Ernesto Martinez, Zelaya's last finance minister, was ordered.

They are now in the hands of the authorities, charged with misappropriation of funds, failure to register government bonds and the circulation of unsigned paper money.

Francisco Baca, who has displaced Dr. Julian Irujo as minister general, is preparing a decree establishing a commission for the purpose of revoking the franchise under which a score of monopolies, given to individuals by Zelaya, have been operated.

These monopolies poured into Zelaya's purse vast sums of money.

**MOB LYNCHES WHITE SLAYER**

After Being Hurt by Wife of Victim, 100 Citizens Take Him from Jail.

Hurley, Va.—Following the killing here on Christmas eve of Samuel Baker and the serious wounding of his wife and two children by the former's enemy, Henry Pennington, a mob of 100 citizens took Pennington from an improvised jail, where he had been incarcerated under heavy guard, and hanged him to a steam pipe.

Pennington, who had been drinking, picked a quarrel with Baker and shot him while the latter was on his way to a Sunday school Christmas tree with his wife, his two children and a friend named Meadows.

Seeing that he had killed Baker, Pennington started to run away. Mrs. Baker called after Pennington and implored him to help her take the body home.

The ruse worked and Pennington went back to the spot where his victim lay dead. Bent upon avenging the deed, Mrs. Baker grabbed Pennington's pistol from his pocket and shot twice at him, wounding him in the hand and thigh. Pennington recovered possession of the pistol and then shot the woman and attempted to kill the two children and Meadows.

**Bids Farewell to Lurton.**

Nashville, Tenn.—Nashville took formal farewell Tuesday night of Associate Justice Horace H. Lurton of the United States supreme court. The occasion was an elaborate banquet at the Maxwell house, tendered by the board of trade of Nashville.

**Ship on Fire Days at Sea.**

Liverpool.—Fire was discovered in the hold of the White Star liner Celtic when the vessel was four days from New York. The liner arrived here Tuesday safely. The fire still was burning, but its presence was known to none of the 400 passengers.

**MaJ. Gen. J. A. Wiley Dead.**

Franklin, Pa.—MaJ. Gen. John A. Wiley, probably the best-known military figure in Pennsylvania, died Tuesday of inflammation of the kidneys. He was 66 years old.

**Taft at Niece's Wedding.**

New York.—President and Mrs. Taft arrived in New York Tuesday to attend the marriage of the niece of the president, Miss Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Taft, to George Hogg Snowden of Seattle.

**Kills His Father-in-Law.**

Chicago.—Joseph Shimmels was shot and killed by his son-in-law, David Cook, Monday. Cook, who is under arrest, refused to make any statement when questioned.

# TWO KILLED BY GAS

William Foster and Lewis Bemis Asphyxiated.

AT FOSTER GRAND AVE. HOME

There Was Spark of Life in Body of Young Bemis When Found, But He Could Not Be Resuscitated.

Des Moines, Dec. 31.—William Foster, owner of Foster's Opera House and the Grand, and one of the prominent old time residents of Des Moines, and Louis Bemis, a friend of the Fosters who has been visiting at the Foster home, were found asphyxiated in the sleeping apartments of Mr. Foster in his residence at Thirty-ninth street and Grand avenue, Thursday by Russell Fopes, a young man who has been visiting at the Foster home for the past two weeks.

A bath room opens off Mr. Foster's sleeping apartments and it was Mr. Foster's habit to get up early in the morning and after lighting the heater, return to bed and remain until the room became warm.

Dr. L. R. Grimes, who was called immediately following the gruesome discovery, found a spark of life in the body of young Bemis, who had been sleeping in a bed opposite Foster. He could not be resuscitated, however.

Dr. Grimes gave as his opinion that Mr. Foster lit a match under the gas burners and did not wait to notice that they had failed to light, but, owing to the coldness of the room, jumped right back into bed and went to sleep.

The funeral of William Foster, whose death occurred from asphyxiation, will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning from the residence of the arrangements for the funeral of Louis Bemis, the boy who was sleeping in Mr. Foster's room and was also killed by the gas, have not yet been completed. The body will be taken to Spencer, where the Bemis family resides, today.

**FIRE WIPES OUT WINFIELD, IA.**

Six Business Buildings Destroyed by Flames That Start in Carse Drug Store.

Mount Pleasant, Ia., Dec. 31.—A disastrous fire at Winfield destroyed six brick buildings in the business part of the town.

The fire started in the rear end of the Carse Drug store. It destroyed the drug store, postoffice, Faris jewelry store, Anderson furniture store, Farvis meat market, and Bloomer's hardware store.

Everything was saved in the postoffice and jewelry store. The rest is a total loss. The insurance is good, but the total loss will probably be over \$50,000.

The town has no fire protection.

**Des Moines Gets 1910 Poultry Show.**

Des Moines Dec. 31.—With a burst of enthusiasm which carried all before it, the Des Moines members of the Iowa State Poultry association secured the next exposition for the capital city. The time was set for the third week in January. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, J. A. Pease, Fort Dodge; treasurer, Fred Townsend, Albia; secretary, H. A. Guthrie, Des Moines.

**Doctor Falls Dead on Patient's Bed.**

Willow Springs, Mo., Dec. 31.—Miss Johnny Peterson, 17 years old, shot herself through the head because she had incurred some small debts at a store. Dr. Abraham Mullinix, 72 years old, was called to attend her. Just after he told her parents she was fatally wounded, he said, "I'm going, too," and fell dead across the bed from apoplexy.

**Father and Daughter Wed.**

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 31.—As soon as Edward Mathewson of Shenandoah, Ia., had given his consent to the marriage of his daughter, Elsie, Mathewson himself had a wedding license made out. He married Cora Thompson of Shenandoah and his daughter married Andrew Clements. Judge Leslie officiated.

**Couple Hit by Rock Island Train.**

Charles City, Ia., Dec. 31.—While driving into town Mr. and Mrs. Crosby, who live seven miles east of Greene, were struck by the Rock Island express about one mile from Greene. Mrs. Crosby's head was crushed over the left eye and she is not expected to live. Mr. Crosby's wounds were slight. One of the horses was carried about half a mile.

**Switchman Loses Life.**

Davenport, Ia., Dec. 31.—F. J. Evans, a switchman, was killed and Robert Witt, a fireman, probably fatally injured by the overturning of a switch engine on a newly made grade in Davenport.

**Mickey's Condition Same.**

Osceloa, Neb., Dec. 31.—Physicians in attendance on former Governor Mickey said that while there was practically no change in his condition, he might linger for several days.

**Dr. Gilmore Guilty.**

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Dec. 31.—Dr. Gilmore of Monticello, on trial at Anamosa, on the charge of causing the death of a young woman through a criminal operation, was found guilty by a jury.

**Cold Stops Drainage Work.**

Manson, Ia., Dec. 31.—All drainage operations in this section have been forced to suspend on account of the intense cold, which has frozen the ground to such a depth as to make work impossible.